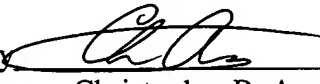


REMARKS

On pages 2-3 of the Office Action, the Applicant is required to elect one of two groups of claims for further prosecution in the present application. The Applicant hereby elects, without traverse, Group I (claims 1-21 and 27-45) for further prosecution in the present application.

Early, favorable consideration of the application is respectfully requested. The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned if he believes it would be helpful.

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